

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY PRAGUE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5712

INFO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINR, PFOR, CZ, UR

SUBJ: SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA

REF: PRAGUE 2831, DEC 15, 1973

1. REFTEL REPORTED THAT SOVIET EMBASSY HAD TOLD US THAT AMBASSADOR MATSKEVICH HAD BEEN DUE BACK IN PRAGUE DECEMBER 13 AFTER SHORT VISIT TO MOSCOW, BUT HAD FALLEN SERIOUSLY ILL THERE AND WAS EXPECTED IN JANUARY.

2. SOVIET EMBASSY CALLED US JANUARY 31 TO SAY THAT MATSKEVICH WAS BACK IN PRAGUE BRIEFLY, BUT WOULD BE RETURNING TO SOVIET UNION FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT, AND WOULD IF POSSIBLE LIKE TO CALL ON AMBASSADOR SHERER FEBRUARY 4 OR 5. WE TOLD THEM THAT OUR AMBASSADOR WOULD NOT HAVE RETURNED BY THEN, BUT THAT CHARGE WOULD BE HAPPY TO SEE AMBASSADOR MATSKEVICH IF CALL WAS OFFICIAL. SOVIETS HAVE NOT CALLED BACK ON THIS, AND WHETHER CALL WAS INTENDED AS FAREWELL REMAINS UNCLEAR.  
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